

fellow. A staff made up of historians and strategists and all that kind of expertise. But we had everybody who was of importance in the world address our classes.

I was there a year, but to show you the kind of guy Pick was, there was one appointment that he could control. The head man or the chief or the general in charge of the Industrial College, which is on the same site as the War College, had two assistants, both of whom were brigadiers. And whoever went in those jobs was a brigadier. The National War College, at the end of the year, divided into three teams and visited various parts of the world. I was on the team that went with General [Harold R.] Bull, who was the commander of the National War College, to Europe. And when we're in Paris, he called me in one day and he said, "You've just been made a brigadier general." Pick had appointed me to that job in the Industrial College. And that automatically made me a general officer. And I think that I'm the only officer who was ever made a general officer while he was a student at the National War College.

But that's the way Pick worked around, and that's the way I got my first star. And I remember talking with General Scott and Mrs. Scott, who are dear, dear people, and they both said that they thought it was great but they thought I was a little young. And I said, "How old were you, Stanley, when you were made brigadier?," and he was a year younger than I was! [laughter]

Q: I guess that shut him up.

A: Yeah. Well, anyhow, I was to be assistant commandant--"commandant," that's a word -- of the Industrial College. And it was funny, in Europe, as soon as I became a general officer, I was due to have an aide. Well, this turned some noses up, and every time our group went to another country, why, the military commander there would make sure that I was singled out and taken care of. It was embarrassing at times.

Mrs. Potter and I were assigned a house at Fort McNair, where I was going to live, and this was after graduation. And we went to the house and